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## Irrigation for Foots Creek Near

Petitions for the establishment of an irrigation district in the Foots creek district will be heard by the county court November 9. The project embraces 1200 acres on the south side of Foots creek, and according to its promoters, but two landowners in the district are opposed to irrigation. Attorney C. M. Thomas of Medford is attending to the legal end of the matter.

C. W. McDonald, president of the Jackson County bank is chairman of the organization, and is assisted by a committee composed of G. B. Alden, Charles P. Champlin, D. H. Head and committee from the Farmers' club of Gold Hill. The circulation of the petitions is now under way.

The proposal of an irrigation district in the Foots creek district is a good omen of the increase of settlement through the valley for artificial watering. Rain is badly needed at this time.—Medford Sun.

## Ashland Boy Highly Honored

Walker Thorne, son of Mrs. O. H. Johnson of Ashland, and who is a senior at the University of Washington school of law, was one of the honored few who were invited to become members of Phi Alpha Delta, honorary law fraternity at the university. Members are chosen because of scholarship, activities and good fellowship and their prospects for future success in the legal profession. Walker Thorne was a graduate of Ashland high school class of 1912 and made a remarkable record in athletics and debating while here. He achieved an extraordinary honor in being selected leader of the University of Washington debating team in his freshman year. He has not participated in intercollegiate debating since his first year, his studies and outside work taking all of his time.

## Crowd Hears Talks At Valley View

The Valley View school house was filled with an interested crowd of voters last Tuesday evening to hear some of the republican speakers of the county. Mrs. Herbert Hanna of Medford opened the meeting with a solo which was followed by talks by Ben Sheldon, W. H. Gore and B. R. Greer.

## Band Concert Cost Is Small

During the concert season from May 24 to September 20 of the past summer, the Ashland band gave thirty-four concerts in Lithia park at an average cost of \$27.50 per concert, according to the report of Treasurer Clark Bush. Considering the high grade of music which Ashland has enjoyed this summer, this average cost is considerable of an achievement. The total amount of cash received by the band for the season was \$1,128.75, of which \$588.75 was from popular subscription, \$400 from the springs water commission, \$100 from the city council and \$40 from the park board. The expenditures were as follows: Musicians, \$637.20; director, \$200; outside bands, \$63.20; music and miscellaneous expense, \$36.55. A balance of \$191.80 cash on hand is reported. This surely bespeaks careful management of finances on the part of the band boys. The twice weekly concerts each meant a rehearsal and an average of four afternoons or evenings a week were given by the band men to the work. The band concerts were a big feature during the past summer and worth several times their cost to Ashland. The band worked under a handicap in many ways which a few more dollars would have removed, and it is hoped that a way may be worked out so that the leader may be kept during the winter months and a much better band, with resultant better music, featured as one of Ashland's big attractions next summer. There is a movement on foot to have a levy for the band included in this year's tax, thus more evenly distributing the cost of a summer's entertainment which is enjoyed by all and has been paid for by a few.

## Registration Two to One on Republicans

The final registration for Jackson county shows an increase in the republican figures. Last year the republican registration was 4447, this year 5483. Only 39 progressives are registered this year. The figures below show there are two republicans to one democrat. The total registration is 9340.

	Men	Women	Total
Republicans	3710	2312	5483
Democrats	1706	1178	2884
Progressives	29	10	39
Prohibitionists	60	116	226
Socialists	200	89	289
Miscellaneous	225	194	419
Total			9340

## Land Crew Moves North to Roseburg

The land grant classification crew has finished Klamath, Jackson and Josephine counties and has moved north into Josephine county, making headquarters at Roseburg. Douglas county has approximately 650,000 acres of grant lands and it will require about 60 days to finish the classification in the county, according to word given out by Louis L. Sharp. Coos county will be the next county invaded.

## Civilization Has Wonderful Punch

A picture with the gripping, effect-producing appeal of "Civilization" has never before been shown in Ashland. The great film production was so stupendous, the effects so real and the music so harmonized with the action that the whole will be remembered by all the hundreds who heard it as an event in their lives rather than just a motion picture. The orchestra alone was worth going to hear. Good sized crowds greeted the picture at all four shows here.

## City Doctor Will Feel Medford Pulse

The city of Medford has hired an expert municipal doctor to feel of the pulse of the financial life-blood of that city, prescribe tonics and, if necessary, recommend an operation. For several months past as many plans as there are prominent citizens almost have been offered the Medford city council for the purpose of overcoming or relieving city financial troubles caused by an over indulgence in paving and other reasons. When the expert, Howard Hansen of Seattle, has evolved the treatment he deems best it will be put up to the people of Ashland's neighboring city for their vote.

## Change May Mean Hill Line to Falls

A change in the business world that is taken by many local people as highly significant for Klamath county comes in the announcement that Frederick E. Weyerhaeuser, son of the late Frederick Weyerhaeuser, multimillionaire timberman, has been elected a director of the Great Northern Railway company. The election was held in St. Paul last week. Mr. Weyerhaeuser was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of James J. Hill. Placing of Mr. Weyerhaeuser who is now president of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, on the board of directors of Hill's railroads is considered significant by some people because it may mean extension of the Hill lines into Southern Oregon, particularly into Klamath county, where the Weyerhaeuser company holds 87,000 acres of standing timber.

The Hill road is already as far south as Bend and not a very long extension would put it in the Klamath timber.—Klamath Falls Herald.

Howard Rose received word from Mrs. F. L. Fry this morning that she would arrive home in Astoria today from the trip east. She and Mr. Fry accompanied the remains of J. J. McNair back to his old home, where interment was made.

## Appoints Teacher To Library Board

Miss Rose Thomas, daughter of A. W. Thomas of this city and a teacher in the Ashland school, has been appointed a member of the library board to fill out the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of F. E. Watson.

Miss Thomas is well informed in regard to library matters and being in direct touch with the schools should be a valuable addition to the board.

## A Real and a Sham Eight-Hour Law

The care with which the democratic spellbinders and the democratic newspaper organs avoid further discussion of the Adamson bill is not without significance. Indeed, it amounts to a practical confession that the measure is indefensible.

That the Adamson law follows precedent in the matter of regulating hours of labor is strikingly refuted by comparison of the regulations on the Panama railroad operated by the government with those on railroads in the United States to be operated after January 1, according to the Adamson law. Here are the regulations in two cases.

**On the Panama Railroad**  
"Effective Sept. 1 the working day for train crews and switching engine crews will be limited to eight hours, except in cases of emergency, when authority for over time must be obtained through the proper channels, either from the executive office or from the superintendent of the Panama railroad."—Extract from order issued by Col. Goethals as governor of the Canal and president of the Panama canal.

**On U. S. Railroads**  
"Beginning Jan. 1, 1917, eight hours shall in contracts for labor and service be deemed a day's work for the purpose of reckoning the compensation for service of all employees \* \* \* engaged in any capacity in the operation of trains \* \* \*. For all necessary time in excess of eight hours, such employees shall be paid at a rate not less than the pro rata rate."—Verbatim provision of the Adamson law.

The order relating to the Panama railroad, it will be observed, is a specific and definite regulation of hours and labor. That is a real eight-hour law.

The Adamson bill, however, adopts the eight-hour period for what purpose? Not for the purpose of prohibiting labor beyond that length of time, but "for the purpose of reckoning the compensation."—Minneapolis Tribune.

## Sidetrack Social Whirl for Politics

Superseding all club and society interests in the attention of Ashland women is the political science class which has been organized in this city under the auspices of the Auxiliary club. Meetings have been held on the past two Saturday afternoons in the Auxiliary clubhouse and will be held every Saturday until election. Seventy-five women attended the last meeting and interest is growing by leaps and bounds. Last Saturday's session was taken up with a discussion of party platforms. A number of the measures which will appear on the November ballot will be discussed at the next meeting.

Miss Marian Towne, of Phoenix, representative from this district to the state legislature, presides over the meetings. The local Hughes Alliance is entirely officered by society women of the city and the Wilson League is made up to a great extent from among the women of the city.

Prohibition work is also keeping a number busy and the butterfly life is being sidetracked more or less for the more engrossing occupation of campaigning.

## Appoints Farlow To Watson's Place

Mayor Johnson appointed E. J. Farlow to fill out the unexpired term of F. E. Watson on the park board, the appointment being confirmed by the council Tuesday night.

Phone job orders to the Tidings.

## Bring in Buck From Single Day's Hunt

E. R. Greve and Ben Bowers left early Wednesday morning for a spot within a few miles of Ashland where Ben was sure he could locate a deer, and returned in the afternoon with a spike buck thrown in the back of the wagon. They "jumped a whole flock of 'em," to quote one of the hunters. They are naturally reticent regarding the exact location of the hunting grounds.

## Council Meets In Brief Session

We expected to have the mayor twist the order of procedure around backwards at Tuesday's council meeting, the furniture and fixtures in the council chamber having undergone radical changes since last meeting. The railing which encloses the august councilors has been moved to the other end, the old benches are replaced with comfortable chairs from the Commercial Club, and other changes for the better have been effected. The mayor managed to keep his head, however, and the meeting proceeded as smoothly as ever. After the reading of the minutes and routine reports a communication from H. O. Parucker, calling the attention of the council to an unsanitary condition on Pioneer avenue where drainage from the hotel flowed across the sidewalk. The sanitary committee was instructed to order a drain established.

A deed for the land sold by the city to W. B. Holmes was ordered executed with an agreement as to terms. A deed for the purchase of the Billings barn tract on Park avenue was accepted and the purchase closed.

A requisition for material from the electric light department was allowed as was also a requisition from the water department.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Commercial Club for two large tables presented to the council, Mr. Root stating that there is much more room for knees under the new tables.

The mayor declared a ten-minute recess, everybody wandering around admiring the maps and pictures hung by the Commercial Club.

In hopes that some of them would turn up, no mention was made until this time of the absence of Councilmen Ashcraft, Ninninger and Cornelius.

The mayor appointed Messrs. Autrey, Finnell and Gowdy as viewers for the district No. 8 sewer.

The realty committee was instructed to interview D. Perozzi concerning a promise to buy a portion of the land taken over from H. L. White for pavement assessment last spring.

## Supt. Briscoe Will Represent Club

The Southern Oregon Schoolmasters' Club, composed of the superintendents, principals and all male teachers in the high schools of Jackson and Josephine counties, met at Grants Pass during the teachers' institute, and besides electing officers made plans for the year. The first meeting for literary programs will be held at Central Point in November.

E. B. Stanley of Central Point is elected president; G. W. Ager of Talent, vice-president; J. A. Hanby of Medford, secretary and treasurer. A circuit is being established in the counties whereby lantern slides of considerable value from various educational institutions throughout the country will be made available in all of the leading schools.

Superintendent George A. Briscoe of Ashland was selected as a representative of the club at the State Teachers' Association which will meet in Portland during the holidays.

## Characteristic Of the Times

How characteristic of the Wilson administration! It even affects local democrats. A crisis in Ashland's political affairs such as the Wilsonites seemed to regard the recent visit of a few women, was met with a deluge of carefully worded notes in the "Wilson organ."

## Would Widen Narrow Avenue

At Tuesday's council meeting Mr. Banta reported that E. F. Smith and B. R. Greer had talked with him concerning widening Park avenue just above the livery barn. The proposed widening would make the road 25 feet wider at the turn. According to Mr. Banta, Mr. Smith had offered to give the slice needed off his property if the city would buy him an equal amount off the property behind him, and Mr. Greer offered his gratis. This is a very narrow place, as those who drove cars up through Park avenue when congested at celebration time or on concert Sundays can testify. The matter was referred to the real estate committee for investigation and the city engineer was instructed to prepare a plot of the proposed change.

## Band Concert in Park Sunday

Unless prevented by rain, there will be a band concert by the Ashland band in Lithia park next Sunday. The band has planned to give an additional concert for some time, but other things have interfered. If the nice weather continues over Sunday, a big crowd is anticipated.

## From Siam to Albany Paper

William H. Hornbrook, United States minister to Siam, has resigned his post in the Orient and will return to his Albany, Oregon, newspaper next February.

Mr. Hornbrook resigned because he found that the climate was not conducive to the health of his children. Hornbrook was appointed to the Siam post in 1914. He was prominent in democratic politics in the state previous to the appointment.

## Seek to Reduce Dead Indian Grade

A new grade over the Dead Indian mountain which has a maximum of 10 per cent grade has been worked out by the Lindsay brothers and Surveyor Rae of Medford. County Surveyor Brown and Jack True went over the survey this week and admit it to be feasible, but since the cost would be ten or twelve thousand dollars, do not see where the money is coming from. The present grade in the last four miles frequently approaches a 20 per cent grade. Messrs. True and Brown have worked out a plan whereby the present road will be reduced to a 14 per cent grade at a cost of about a thousand dollars, and will recommend this to the county court.

## Receives Word of Father's Death

H. L. Whited received a telegram Monday announcing the death of his father, Stephen Whited of Eldora, Iowa, at the age of 87 years and two months. He was a pioneer of that section, having located there in 1855, and was a hale, strong man until within the past few years. Three years ago he and his wife, who survives him, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Whited of Ashland were present.

Four children survive him. One son is on the Pennsylvania State Highway commission as superintendent of the department of bridges. A daughter, Mrs. Burling, lives at Eldora, and another daughter, Miss Myra Whited, is secretary of the faculty of the Iowa State Agricultural college at Ames. It was not possible for Mr. Whited to reach the old home in time for the funeral rites.

G. W. Hake, driving a Ford car, smashed into the rear end of a new Overland roadster driven by Kenneth Williams, near the George Owens place east of the city, Wednesday. McWilliams was slowing up to stop and says he was well to the right of the road when Hake drove into his car. Wilfred Carr was riding with McWilliams. The rear fender and body of the new car were dented and the fender of the Ford bent.

## First Football Game Here Oct. 26

The Ashland high school football team has been obliged to "take it easy" so far this week while recovering from the many minor sprains, bruises, etc. sustained in the Grants Pass game last Friday. "Doc" Furry has not been able to get out for practice owing to an injury to his foot. Harley Brower has an arm in a sling as a result of a wrenched shoulder and three or four others are barely able to hobble around the field.

No scrimmage has been indulged in as yet this week. There will be no game for the locals next Saturday, but on Thursday, a week from today, Ashland will meet Klamath Falls on the local gridiron in a game which should be one of the best of the season.

Klamath held Medford to a tie and a good basis for comparison will be obtained. Klamath plays Grants Pass Saturday and Medford also after playing Ashland. Ashland will invade Klamath for a return game on Saturday, November 4.

## Paint on Gas Stove Causes Small Fire

Cooking asphaltum paint over a gas stove is liable to result disastrously. At least Mrs. C. H. Gillette found this to be the case. The fire truck was called to the Gillette home on High street Monday evening to find the kitchen floor and walls blazing. A pot of paint which Mrs. Gillette was heating on the stove had caught fire and upset, running over the floor. The blaze was extinguished with the chemicals and little damage resulted. Driver Guiley says: "Tell 'em to boil paint out in the yard or the middle of the street, but by no means on a gas stove." The firemen also ask that people be requested to take care to speak slowly and distinctly when phoning in a fire call. On several occasions recently the aid of central has been necessary to find out where a call came from.

## Gunshot Wound Causes Boy's Death

A death under distressingly sad circumstances occurred at Medford last Saturday when Arthur Edward Powell, twelve-year-old boy, died from the results of a gunshot wound sustained about a month ago. The boy shot himself in the leg while cleaning a 22-calibre rifle. The wound apparently healed, but later became infected, and an operation proving unsuccessful, the boy died. The boy came to the valley eight years ago with his parents from Minnesota. Mr. Powell was employed on the Ashland Record previous to moving to Medford, where he is working on the Mail Tribune.

## Grand Jury Hears But Four Cases

After a session lasting only part of Monday the Jackson County Grand Jury was discharged Monday afternoon after considering four criminal cases.

A not true bill was returned in the case of William Foster, charged with a statutory crime.

True bills were returned against Richard Roe and John Doe, who were out of the state.

True bills were also found against Retha Swartzfeger and Carl Dusenberry of Gold Hill, who were charged with contributing to the delinquency of Lizzie Horn, a minor sister of Mrs. Swartzfeger. Dusenberry is a jitney driver and his indictment is a forerunner of action to be taken against other jitney drivers of the county, who are making a practice of hauling parties containing minors upon joy rides.

Mrs. Swartzfeger and Dusenberry were arraigned Tuesday morning in circuit court and were given until Saturday morning to enter a plea.

The criminal docket of the circuit court will, in all probability, be the lightest in a number of years. Fourteen civil cases have been set for trial and it is expected that the term of the court will last in the neighborhood of two weeks.

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